THE GREAT SANDTOWN TURKEY THEFT

A Story of a Mean Man and a Mean Deed That Was Its Own Reward.

Noah Wamskittle was a mean man; twisting and turning, till Noah was one of those mean people who hate to nearly dead and only his great meansee others prosperous, even though it ness kept him going. does not interfere with them at all. At last, scratched and bruised and He lived in Sandtown and raised full of mud, weary and suffering, he turkeys, like everybody else. He fell into a deep mudhole, which, earned a lot of money, because he fat- strangely enough, had been avoided only generous deed, for he begrudged even the food that he gave himself, Noah looked through the under-

light hie fire in the morning. Noah Wamskittle did not like Dea- into the walls there and I will creep con Vandertassel at all, and he liked around the other way and scare the him even less after he beard this. turkeys so they will come out." So some days before Thanksgiving day, he went to a poor man in Sand- ever, worked hard and sawed big town and said to him:

rather than use one of his own to

"You know that we will all have to tled. Then, as Bill scared them up, ship our turkeys to-morrow. Now, off they flew into the woods until the an'. children to slave over. you have only 50 and if you do not whole big flock had vanished. get a good price for them you will be | As soon as the last one had gone hard pressed for money this winter. poor but honest Bill seized Noah and Well, I know a way to make the said: "We must hurry back and we prices higher for you. If you will go must go the same way we came." 'o Deacon Vandertassel's place with

skittle was so mean that he would cept a black mass of something in the

walk three miles to borrow a match darkness. "Those are the barns," said Bill. "Here, take this saw and saw holes Noah, madder and meaner than holes, out of which the turkeys scut-

"Oh, dear, oh, dear," groaned Noah



will be glad to pay you high prices At last they emerged on a road and for yours."

At last they emerged on a road and in a few moments they were at No-

The poor man, whose name was ah's front gate and the mean man hur-Bill Leggo, made believe to agree ried to bed. came of poor but honest parents, and he crawled out to feed his turkeys. was very much like them himself. So

he devised a cunning plan. and said to him: "Let us go to do this place. eral miles, so as to approach the dea- as fast as he could to the back, and, con's place through the underbrush in sure enough, there he found great the back. It would never do for us holes in the walls of the houses.

"I will guide you," said poor but He was quite right.

cannot dare to carry a lantern." and swamp, this way and that way, heard of it.

THE FESTIVAL OF HOME.

of Family Gatherings.

religious festival, it appeals to all,

convictions.

"I See It All " He Moaned.

me to-night we can cut holes into his | But he followed, and once more he turkey houses and let all his birds fly was dragged through mudholes and into the woods. He will be quite un- creeks and over stumps and rocks able to catch them again in time for until his shins and nose were skinned shipment and the people in the city and every part of him was sore.

with the mean man. But really he did | The next morning he could hardly not agree with him at all, for he get up, because he was so sore. But When he got to the barnyard, his heart nearly stood still. There was

That night he went to Noah's house not a single, solitary turkey in the deed. But we will have to go into the He stood with his mouth open, wonwoods just behind your house and dering. Then, slowly a terrible susbusy at devising a better way to han. The brokers would probably no work around through them for sev- picion entered his mind. He limped

"I see it all," he moaned, sitting "That is a good idea," said Noah. right down in the mud. "That vil-"But I do not know the way through lain took me through the woods and back to my own turkey houses."

"I fear, however, that When poor but honest Bill went by you will find it rough going, for we the house, carting his 50 turkeys to the town, Noah Wamskittle shook his He took hold of Noah's arm and off fist out of the window, but Bill Leg. riod of self-interested association with living, it is the farmer, the producer. they went, up and down and in and go only laughed, and so did every the cotton production of the South, As for the classes whose usefulness is out, through thick and thin and thorn body else in Sandtown when they certain interests in New York affect debatable, it is an open question

lives, so to speak, and marks the pass-

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cents for it.

producer to expect more than ten

"With this bit of unimpeachable

The kickers, God bless them; keep 'as cotton can be grown for five cent them so busy that they won't have a pound, it is unreasonable for the time to get into any devilment.

The good news of new Unions still comes in every day. None are going wisdom the newspaper closes the disout of business, and all are growing in cusison, fully conscious in its own

The people are coming more and cotton planter had strangely overmore to favor a graduated land tax. looked, and, having called attention to This is a drawing to the right divis- the fact, no more was to be said on read with this lesson 1 Kings 20:13:21. ion of what God gave his children at the subject. the beginning of things.

Just have to tell you again about the cotton production of the South, temporal prosperity by one who inplanting some trees in the fence cor- has been one of the greatest menacy, dulges in strong drink. About 150 ners, so that you can get something to the prosperity of the cotton plantet, in Judah the Syrian king, Benhadad, out of the best land on the place and not until the farmers combined had come with 32 tributary kings and without reducing the amount you put carefully calculated the conditions of a great army, to overthrow and capinto cotton for yourself, your wife the crop each year and fixed a mini ture the city of Samaria, the capital

Say, brother, did you ever canvass way of escaping the dominations of the project of building a dam at the Wall Street in the marketing of the bottom of that useless hollow, so that crop. But when the farmers com you would have a nice fish pond for menced to stand together Wall Street

Even the English and Scottish spin- the market. But the real cotton growners are imploring Americans to pack ers, the men who raise the staple and their cotton in a more sensible way, have it to sell, could not be touched, They want it put up in smaller and They, better than anybody else, know more compact bales. The round bale how much it costs to produce a pound seems that an American farmer shles cost is more than five cetns a pound. at a round bale like a Mustang mule They know more about the cost of

Don't let the little frictions shut They know that every item entering out the clear view of what you are into the production of a pound of cotin the Union for. You got in for ED- ton today is higher than it ever was UCATION, CO-OPERATION and UN- before. It costs more to buy land, fer-ION. Don't let anything shut you off tillzers, stock, implements, to pay for from a constant view of these original labor and to meet living expenses objects. You will find some little fric- than it ever did before. The cost ention here and there, but it is only tering into the production of a bale of growing pains, and will all pass away cotton today is almost double what it with time. The Union can and will do was ten years ago, and the farmer in other departments what it has who bases his calculation on the fivehelped to do for the price of cotton. cent cost theory is the farmer who Only be patient. It takes time for stands to lose in the final sale transthe oak to grow, but so steady and so action. sturdy is the oak that it is taken as "It is true that the cotton which is the highest type of strength. Take a sold for ten cents will pay the exlesson from the oak, and grow patient penses of production and afford the

It begins to look like the English and it is not just for any newspaper spinners are dead in earnest about or Wall Street to expect the cotton buying some of the land in this coun- grower to be satisfied with mere ac try with which to "break the Southern tual expenses. The cotton grower is Cotton Trust." Already considerable just as much entitled to a reasonable land has been bought in Texas, and return on his effort, his time, his enoptions are reported on other lands, ergy and his investment as the Wall They can make a profit over the av- Street broker is entitled to his profits. erage American farmer in the matter Yet the broker assumes to secure his of packing alone that will justify rais- own profit and to dictate to the farmer ing the staple with hired help. Get also what he shall take for his crop. dle the cotton after it is out of the shocked if the cotton growers should boll. The loss there is greater than assume to tell them that brokers and Matt. 23:16.

COST OF COTTON.

So closely does the following from the position assumed toward the cotment and experience of Farmers' Un- the trade the world over."

ion people, it deesrves publication: "Through the custom of a long pe- nently entitled to more than a bare alcohol prepares the way for the coma wisdom about the crop which, in whether they be entitled even to a many cases, is utterly fallacious and bare living. Is any able-bodied person chief destroyer of national prestige tiresome. Recently a New York news- morally entitled to that which he does was strong drink. Assyria was a paper made the bold statement that not earn by some useful service?

FARMERS' JOURNAL JOLTINGS.

If all the tenant farmers in Texas

The soil is here and the families

homes already.

her family.

landlord's fields.

crimes.

Drag it along.

DID IT EVER OCCUR TO YOU? That a true philosopher is beyond the reach of fortune.

farmer is entitled to more than that,

were banded together in a covenant That about as many people die from which fell before the wine-hater, Cy to vote for no man for the Legislathe effects of medicine as from disture, no matter where he was from That many a sermon, many a book, many a lecture, has been regarded

as profound, when it was simply stuhomes within their reach, they would That the world owes a heavy debt Perhaps to none is the day more full be joined in this demand by thousands of gratitude to its "dreamers" and lar is bad enough, but sin as a buttertators."

What is keeping them from it? For exalt cash above character.

put it there for any one of her chil- country they grow up and are then dren who might dig it out, what sort given to lobsters.

of an old mother is she, anyhow? That Luther Burbank would render Mother Nature and her family would his fame doubly secure and fill a Sin often wears the wings of wit, the not have any trouble about the soil if long-felt want by evolving a variety of | wings of fashion, the wings of atit were not for the "black sheep" in melons with handles on to carry 'em tractive names."-Rev. David Gregg, by.-Farmers' Magazine.

Of course all the carpenters would In our efforts to figure out plans vote for a graduated land tax. They whereby the farmers might co-operate would rather build a good farm house to their mutual advantage in selling on each quarter section than little and buying, we have so constantly as favorite for wedding gifts. rent shacks stuck around back of the run up against the mability of the renter to co-operate in either direction To buy up good land just because that we often become discouraged, you are able, and hold it out of use and feel that the first work should be until the sweat and toil of human be- to storm th legislature with a cry for ings make it valuable, is to commit homes for the homeless that would be

> A plous expression is a poor expression of plety.—Ram's Horn.

World's Temperance

Lesson

Sunday School Lesson for Nov.25, 1986

Specially Prepared for This Paper.

A Drunkard's Loss.

Our lesson committee directs us

Here we have an illustration from his

mum price at which the staple was to of the kingdom of Israel. The Israelbe sold, did there appear to be any itish king, Ahab, seemed paralyzed with fear, and was ready to grant all that proud conqueror demanded. But his elders counseled resistance, and then Benhadad boasted that he would pour out upon Samaria so great a your own use? Fish is an easy crop began to rattle. Endeavor was made host of warriors that if each man to raise, and don't require near as -with what degree of success it is were to take but a handful of earth, much room as a cotton patch. Fig. not here the purpose to discuss-to Samaria would be carried away. "Let ure on an acre or two of good fish- get inside one cotton organization at not him that girdeth on his armor least, whereby it might manipulate off," was Israel's answer. The proud boast himself, as he that putteth it monarch, and his kings and generals gave themselves up to drunken revel noontime the besiegers' camp was a scene of wild debauchery. Then the is nearly an ideal package, but it of cotton. And they know that that Israelites, with only 232 young men

> King Benhadad barely escaped with producing a pound of cotton than any his life. New York newspaper can ever know. 1. Poverty.-Prov. 23:21; Isa. 5:15. 2. Disease.—Prov 23:29. 3. Degradation.—Isa. 28:1-4. 4. Defilement.—Dan. 1:8. 5. Weakness.—1 Cor. 9:25.

"It has long been admitted that tha tory substantiating the words of the

interference of New York interests in Trophet before us, about the loss of

6. Mental disorders. - Prov. 20:1. 23:33; Isa. 5:20; 28:7. 7. Bodily death.-Isa. 5:14. Remorse.—Prov. 23:32. 9. Separation from God .- Num. 6:

2-4; Isa, 5:12. 10. Spiritual blindness.-Isa. 28:7; Dan. 5:1-3; Titus 1:7. 11. Spiritual death.-Hab. 2:5; 1 Pet. 2:11. 12. Loss of heaven .- Gal. 5:21; 1

pletely routed the hosts of Syria, and

Cor. 6:9, 10. Upon Whom Woe Will Fall. 1. The wicked.—Isa. 3:9, 11; 5:18; farmer a living for his family, but the Micah 2:1.

2. Drunkards.—Isa. 5:11-14; 28:1; Prov. 23:29, 30. 3. Tempters.—Hab. 2:15.

. The rebellious.—Isa. 30:1; 45:9. 5. The dishonest .- Jer. 22:13; Hab. : 6, 9, 12,

6. The false.—Isa. 5:20; Ezek. 13:3; Jude 10:11. 7. The indolent.-Amos 6:1. The proud.—Isa 5:21.

9. Oppressors.—Isa, 5:8; 10:1-3. 10. Those who hide from God .-- Isa. 29:15; Hos. 7:13.

11. Hypocrites.-Matt. 23:13-16, 23 12. Unfaithful pastors.-Jer. 23:1;

business men should be entitled to no ties .- Matt. 11:21. more than actual living expenses out Intemperance and Crime.-About 82 of their business, and yet that is just per cent. of the convicts of the United States privately confess their fre Fort Worth Record track the sentil ton producers by people interested in quent indulgence in intoxicating if there be any class who is pre-emi- boldly that the intoxicating effect of

mission of crimes of every kind .-

Elisha Harris, M. D. The Fall of Ancient Nations,-Historic records of the nations of antiquity are replete with proofs that the world power until her early characteristics of manliness, patriotism and morality were sapped by drunkenness and debauchery. She fell before Baby lonia and Media - Ere long drunken ness characterized the Median court, rus the Persian. Babylon's fall is at tributed in Scripture to the same vice (Dan. 5). Then Persia, weakened by wine, passed under the conquering hand of Alexander. But full soon this Greek hero was also overcome by in

Attractive Sin .- Sin as a caterpilevery wing there is a rainbow of light and beauty. The poets call the but-That some women think more of terfly "a flying and flashing gem," "a need it. Why don't they develop it? millinery than morals, and many men flower of Paradise." But the butter fly is often a caterpillar beautified for example, this gracious, time-hon-the annual home gathering and shares whom did Mother Nature deposit this That in India female children are with wings. It is only a painted worm wealth in the soil? If she did not fed to the crocodiles, while in this decked in a velvet suit and adorned with sparkling gems. If sin in its grossest forms be dangerous, what must be the unmeasured power of sin when it puts on the robe of beauty? D. D.

temperance.

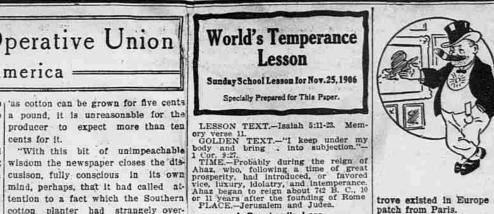
Copper Popular. Copper is the smart material now, and it comes in such attractive guise

There are copper candlesticks in quaint design, copper trays of rare beauty and much usefulness, copper jugs and jars in odd and picturesque designs, copper chafing dishes, copper vases, copper lamps, copper incense burners and probably the smartest of all are the copper coffee sets, consisting of pot, sugar bowl and cream pitcher on a tray. These are goldlined.

Suggestion to Automobilists. An automobilist of great experience in Central Africa. In some sections Europe of the forbears of our canaries quegests that it is a good idea for the griver of a car to show his compan never used. Even among the better winter and summer alike, is in Spain, ion on the front seat how to switch off the ignition current in case the

> London Open-Air Meetings. London has five regularly built open-air pull-its from which there is preaching, and the results have been so good that other churches are considering the question of having such pulpits built upon the outside of

their edifices. It is not the upward gaze of ambi-According to the year books of the tion that makes men dizzy; it is the denominations the per cent. of gain looking down on those who cannot



NEW YORK .- Patrick F. Sheedy, long of Chicago, who makes no pretense of loving "art for art's sake," is about to realize the dream of a lifetime by opening a picture gallery on West Thirty-fourth street. One of the attractions of his gallery will be an assemblage of old and modern paintings collected by "Jack" Carr, who recently passed from this life at Copenhagen.

These works of art were supposed to have These works of art were supposed to have been acquired by their owner in an entirely informal manner. Many were picked up here and there at cut rate prices, like the Meyer von Bremen recently offered in this city, or quietly selected from private collections. There are a hundred or so of them, and the last one was obtained 28 years ago, according to Sheedy. They, however, have been kept from the public eye so long that questions of titles are not likely to be raised. The fact that such an artistic treasure trove existed in Europe was pointed out several weeks ago in a cable dispatch from Paris.

patch from Paris.

Sheedy has been in communication with the present owners and when

they deliver the paintings in New York he will be able to make satisfactory arrangements for their disposition.

These canvases will not constitute the entire stock, for the famous painting which the noted amateur, who has now become a professional, acquired from Raisuil, the bandit, will also be on view. Two hundred other art works, some of them from the brushes of old masters and a few now innocent of varnish, will be displayed.

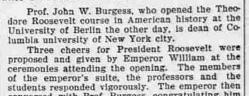
It was through the mediation of Sheedy that the famous Gainsborough of the duchess of Devonshire, which was stolen, was recovered in Chicago and returned to its owner.

"Men change their opinions," said Sheedy, "but not their principles. I am no reformer and I do not have to proclaim my honesty. I am still Pat Sheedy, and I would be the same if I were minister of the Gospel. I've gone through life looking for the good in what might be termed the bad people, and not looking for the bad in what might be termed the good people "Anybody can buy a picture from me with impunity, and no one will get arrested for doing so. I'm not one of those dealers who will say: 'It's all right, but don't say you got it from me.' I have been preparing for this busi-

ness now about 20 years, and I will have something here well worth look-"Many of the nouveau riche have plenty of money to spend, but, having "Many of the nouveau riche have plenty of money to spend, but, having no training in art, they do not know how to do it. For the benefit of the uninitiated I have gathered some small collections which will be placed in rooms so that they may be studied with reference to the furnishings. One who sees pictures in such circumstances will be able to tell at a glance whether or not the works will harmonize with white and gold interiors. If they don't, they can see the effect in some other color."

This Typewriter

American Professor in Berlin.



conversed with Prof. Burgess, congratulating him on the successful beginning of his work, and also had a talk with Ambassador and Mrs. Tower. The emperor requested the ambassador to cable to President Roosevelt his thanks for the president's cooperation.

Besides Emperor William, the empress, Prince
August Wilhelm, United States Ambassador
Tower and Mrs. Tower, Dr. Studt, the minister of
education, and about 50 professors and resident
Americans occupied chairs near the reading desk in the lecture hall, while

behind them were 400 students, who energetically cheered Prof. John W Burgess when he entered and applanded every reference to President Roose velt. At the opening of the proceeding Prof. Burgess read a letter from the

As a teacher and as a writer of American history Prof. Burgess is well known. It was in response to a letter from President Roosevelt which Prof. Burgess read that Emperor William proposed three cheers for the American president. The general title of Prof. Burgess' lectures at the University of Region is "The Constitution and Cons Berlin is "The Constitution and Constitutional History of the United States.

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"He's the impolitest turkey I ever; He chased two of his sisters all

the most of the meal.

out the grain called a man to look at say, was a little alarmed and tried me, she did! Sald I was the fattest to run away. e, she did! Said I was the lattest to run away.

It hem all! So I am!"

"You're going to be a Thanksgiving dinned," said a small brother, who had miss Passay, "he asket of preservation while digging in Miss Passay, "he asket of preservation while digging in his yard. It was three or four feet that the property of the of them all! So I am!" replied his mother. "But I want you never dared to speak to him before.

get the best for yourself?" "Because I want to be the fattest, spoke. and go for a trip," said her son. "The girl said, "That one's nearly ready." "Aha, silly! You foolish creature," Alas! His mother was right. Be-

"Oh, you're old-fashloned," said her and been a better turkey.

what I'm doing! The girl who throws he seized the turkey, who, strange to

was beating uncomfortably as he unnecessary questions make you several years ago.

son, "and a little jealous because But wishes do not help us when we adequate help is Jesus Christ.—Henry cent; Methodist Episcopal church, 1 are reaping the reward of our deeds. C. King.

age of years perhaps even more dis-Thanksgiving Pre-eminently the Day tinctly than New Year's day or birth-For Thanksgiving is pre-emidays. nently the festival of home, the day of The good old New England festival all others when home ties and associaof Thanksgiving is one that age does tions assert their sway the strongest, not wither nor custom stale, Original- linking the present with the past and ly, and still nominally, a distinctly binding all to the future. All who are happy enough to have a home and hearth turn gladly to it for rest and nor what his party brand might be, whether old or young, whether pro-fessedly religious or not, and what-whether present or absent from the to such legislation at Austin as would ever may be their religious belief or home circle, that is the center and in- have the effect of bringing small

spiration of their thoughts. To college boys and football teams the day may seem to be of special sig-nificance in reference to triumphs or those who cannot thus join the home of good-hearted farmers who have good-hearted farmers who hav disasters on the gridiron field, but circle. The toller in the city or in the even to these it carries another and country, unable even for a day to quit deeper significance which will grow his duties, still takes pleasure in with the years. And to those of ma- thinking of those at home, and in imture years, men and women past 40, agination, at least, takes his place at

INCOGNITO.

ored festival serves to punctuate their the pleasure of the day.



Rooster-For heaven's sake, Strut, old boy, what are you doing in that garb? Been in a wreck? Gobbler-Psst! No; not so loud; you know it is not safe for me to be

THE UNTHANKFUL TURKEY.

hatched," said Mother Turkey, as she around the yard, until they were too saw her youngest pushing his way out of breath to peck. Then he finfleccely among his brothers and sis- ished the last grain himself, and ters and cousins to get the best and strutted about in pride. The next day a man came out with "You let me alone, won't you?" said the girl who threw the grain.
the young turkey angrily. "I know "Yes, he'll do," said the man, and

said Mamma Turkey, "you're killed fore long he found that he was indeed struggle, conflict, possibly victoryfor Thanksgiving dinners if you're to be a Thanksgiving dinners. And the strenuous life! You cannot cow in members for the year 1905 was as climb. how he wished that he had eaten less ardly give it up. And you need all follows: Baptists, 2 2-10; Cougrega-

Salt a Luxury. Salt is the greatest luxury known

the greatest of all economic heard.

The split log drag is a good thing.

sugar. wouldn't marry the first man that to improve your manners, I do. Why "I'm not—I'm going for a trip," came along." "The idea!" remarked slacked lime, which was probably should you push every one aside to squawked our turkey. But his heart his Knox. "Don't those obviously thrown away when the house was built

our children would eat pieces of lump

sick? Life's Struggles and Victories. And this is life-temptation, trial, the help you can have; and the only tional, 2 2-10; Presbyterians, 2 per

First Canaries in Europe. The first hint that can be found in among the poorer inhabitants salt is who "discourse sweet music" to us classes, a man who eats salt with his where we are told that in 1478 some food is considered a rich individual. specimens were brought by Henry, In some tribes where salt is not so the navigator, on his return from one scarce children are so fond of it that of his voyages, during which he they may be seen eating it just as landed at the Canary islands.

> A man in East Concord, N. H., recently unearthed an apple in a perfect under ground and imbedded in some

Apple Preserved in Lime.

Church Gains, Etc.

driver suddenly becomes incapacitated. By this simple operation car can quickly be stopped, and the damage it is liable to do if it runs wild will be reduced. - Scientific

There never yet was a diamond big enough to cut your name on the doors of Paradise.